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OUTLINES.

Boers still surround Brabant's force. — Gen. Boynton will deliver the address at the Guilford battle ground celebration, July 4th. — The Boer government will formally protest against Great Britain's sending prisoners to St. Helena. — The plague has made its appearance at several ports on the Red Sea. — Deaths from plague in India are decreasing but are still upwards of 4,000 per week. — Memorial services in honor of the French General Mauriel killed while fighting for the Boers in South Africa were held in Paris. — Senators Allen and Pettigrew refused to attend the Pop convention in Raleigh, would not mix up in the race question. — Lively debate in the House over the Naval Appropriation bill. — The Populist State Convention at Raleigh nominated a full State ticket with Cy Thompson for Governor. — Japan and Russia are apparently on the verge of war. — The telegraphers' strike is gaining ground in the Charlotte district. — New York markets: Money on call easier at 2½@3½ per cent.; last loan at 3½ per cent; cotton quiet, middling uplands 9⅞c; flour dull and easier; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 76c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 47⅜c; oats —spot dull, No. 2 28¼c; rosin quiet, strained common to good $1.70; spirits turpentine easy at 53@53½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 18.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 70 degrees; 2 P. M., 69 degrees; maximum, 74 degrees; minimum, 64 degrees; mean, 69 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .51 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 6.0 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Generally heavy rains continued during the 24 hours ended at 8 A. M. Wednesday from the Mississippi valley eastward, excepting near the North Carolina coast. West of the Mississippi valley clearing and slightly cooler weather prevails. The precipitation was particularly heavy over Georgia, Alabama and Southern Louisiana.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—For North Carolina—Fair Thursday; showers Friday; fresh to brisk southerly, shifting to easterly winds.

Port Almanac---April 19.

Sun Rises	5.22 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.37 P. M.
Day's Length	13 H. 15 M.
High Water at Southport.	10.25 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	12.55 P. M.

London is seventeen miles long one way and twelve another, and still growing. If London had a civilized climate people might enjoy themfelves where they have so much company.

Guam is the ideal place for the lazy man. Everything the people need to eat grows spontaneously, the weather is warm and they don't need any clothes, so there is no use for stores, markets or any other outshoots of modern civilization.

As showing the interest taken in higher education in this country it is stated that wealthy people have within the past seven years donated an aggregate of $265,550,000 to educational institutions. In 1897 they gave $45,000,000, in 1898, $38,000,000, and last year $62,550,000.

Sam Strong, a Cripple Creek (Col.) mining magnate, is having an interesting time. He has recently got a new wife, and has just had a verdict for $50,000 rendered against him for failing to keep his agreement to marry another young lady, and following that another suit comes up from another girl for another $50,000. And he isn't right sure it is going to stop there.

The color line seems to be pretty tightly drawn in Cuba, too. On the arrival of General Gomez at Santiago the other day, while on his way to San Domingo, there was a hustling between the white and black folk to see which would get him in hand first. The colored contingent was too quick, got there first, and then the white folks refused to have anything further to do with the reception.

May Postpone Meeting.

The travelling men for the various produce commission merchants of the North, who are here to solicit consignments of truck, are considering the advisability of recommending to the proper authorities a postponement of the annual meeting of the Produce Travellers' Association, which is appointed to be held here next Saturday. By reason of the lateness of the season many of the travelling men are still working further south, at Charleston and Young's Island, and they will not reach here in time to participate in the meeting. It is deemed expedient to make a postponement for ten days or two weeks yet, at which time the large majority of members will be enabled to attend by reason of their presence in the trucking belt contiguous to Wilmington.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The STAR regrets to learn of the illness of Capt. W. F. Corbett, at his home on Fourth between Red Cross and Walnut streets.

— The schooner *Henry R. Tilton*, 446 tons, arrived yesterday in ballast from New York and will load with lumber at the Cape Fear Lumber Company's mill.

— The special train over the A. C. L. to Newbern yesterday carried quite a crowd of people to that city to attend the Fair. The special returned last night at 8 o'clock.

— License was yesterday issued for the marriage of Miss Sallie Corbett, daughter of Mr. R. W. Corbett, of Castle Haynes, to Mr. T. Martin Savage, of the same place.

— The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held in the assembly room of the W. L. I. armory this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

— Rosin was firm yesterday on the local market at $1.10@1.15 per barrel. Tar advanced to $1.25 and spirits turpentine remained unchanged though there was a slight advance on the Savannah market.

— The Greensboro *Evening Telegram*, of the 16th instant, contains an account of the death of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Savage, formerly residents of Wilmington, from whence they removed to Rocky Point and later in July last year to Greensboro. The interment was at Rocky Mount, N. C.

— John Broady, a colored employe of the shuttle block factory, was knocked senseless yesterday morning by a blow from a block of wood thrown from a rip saw at which he was operating. Dr. Bulluck was summoned and after giving him attention sent the injured negro to his home on Surry between Castle and Queen streets.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. Shrier—Spring suit.
Mercer & Evans—Soft shoes.
Geo. O. Gaylord's Branch Store—A dress for 25 cents.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. B. Sellers, of Maxton, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. A. G. Knebel, State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., is in the city.

— Iredell Meares, Esq., went up to Raleigh yesterday morning to argue a case in the Supreme Court.

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— Mrs. S. E. Maloney and son, of Philadelphia, are in the city, visiting the family of Mr. William Struthers. They leave to-day for Chadbourn to visit Mrs. Maloney's sister, Mrs. H. L. Struthers, of that town.

— Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Harper left yesterday morning for Baltimore, where Capt. Harper will be treated at one of the hospitals there for a nervous ailment. His numerous friends in Wilmington wish for him a speedy recovery and safe return to his home.

Defendants Dismissed.

The cases of the State against James Marine, white, and Tolson Bailey, colored, charged with highway robbery of A. Odam on Tuesday night, came up in Justice Bornemann's court yesterday afternoon, but was dismissed, the evidence having been considered insufficient to admit of probable cause. Herbert McClammy and William J. Bellamy, Esqrs., represented the defendants, and the prosecution of the cases was by C. D. Weeks, Esq. Particulars of the robbery were published in yesterday's STAR.

Funeral of Mr. Prigge.

The remains of the late Mr. John Prigge, whose death in Jacksonville, Fla., was mentioned in these columns yesterday, were buried yesterday afternoon at 5.30 o'clock with Masonic honors, the deceased having been a member of that fraternity. The funeral services were from the residence of his niece, Mrs. George K. West, No. 706 Chesnut street, and a number of friends and acquaintances of the family were in attendance.

New Methodist Church.

Mr. J. T. Kerr, of Cape Fear township, has donated a site for a new Methodist church next adjoining the Acorn Branch school house. The trustees of the new church are Messrs. M. G. Chadwick, J. T. Kerr, and J. H. Johnson. Papers recording the transfer of the property to the trustees were yesterday filed at the Court House.

St. James' Sunday School.

The children of St. James' Sunday School will have their annual Easter festival to-night at 8 o'clock. The parents will please send their donations of fruits, cakes, candies, ice cream, &c., to the Parish House at any hour during the day. The teachers are requested by the rector to meet at the Parish House at 6 o'clock.

A Sailing Party.

Mr. Clarence D. Maffitt yesterday afternoon entertained a number of his friends with a sail about the harbor on his handsome little craft, the *Pleasure Seeker*. Among the party who enjoyed the sail were Messrs. Samuel J. Hinsdale, of Raleigh; Mr. James C. MacRae, of Fayetteville; Mr. Jones Fuller, of Durham, and Mr. J. VanB. Metts, of Wilmington.

THE TWELFTH CENSUS

Enumerators Recommended for Appointment to Various County Districts.

POLITICS NOT CONSIDERED.

City Divided Into Sections With Respect to Population of Each—Work Will Begin June 1st—Some of the Questions to Be Asked.

A prominent Republican of the city to whom was delegated by the Census Supervisor of this district, D. J. Lewis, Esq., of Whiteville, the power of making recommendations of persons for the position of census enumerators in New Hanover county, yesterday gave the STAR the following list as those who have been recommended and, who without a doubt will receive appointments from the census authorities in Washington within the next few days:

Wilmington Township—Messrs. Joe Lippitt, R. C. Banks, D. S. Bender, W. J. Orr, R. F. Gore, J. T. McIver, A. H. Paddison, R. M. Murray, J. W. Smith, C. O. Knox, T. J. Newsom, J. R. Marshall and Harry Hill.

Masonboro Township—E. A. Orrell.

Cape Fear Township—T. A. Watson.

Federal Point Township—(——) Williams.

John H. Brown and George Cutlar, both colored, were recommended to Mr. Lewis for two of the Wilmington township districts, but it is understood that no colored men will be recommended by him to the authorities in Washington.

STAR readers will remember that the taking of the census by districts will begin June 1st, and will be completed within two weeks. For the convenience of enumerators towns and cities have been divided into divisions with respect to the number of inhabitants in each, and one district will be assigned to each enumerator. The enumerators for the various districts and townships in the county will be required to report daily to an office in Wilmington the result of their day's canvass and in this way the census can be easily recapitulated and hurried to the head office for compilation in Washington.

The following divisions of the area of Wilmington have been decided upon by Supervisor Lewis, each township in the county constituting a district within itself:

First Ward—First division, river to Fourth street; second division, Fourth and Walnut streets to Sixth and Walnut streets and out Sixth to city limits; third division, from Sixth and Mulberry streets to Eighth street; fourth division, from Eighth and Mulberry out Anderson street to city limits; fifth division, from corner of Anderson and Mulberry to city limits and to Seventh and Mulberry streets; sixth division, from Tenth and Mulberry to Seventeenth, to Dock and Seventeenth and from Dock and Tenth to Tenth and Mulberry streets.

Second Ward—Constitutes a division within itself.

Third Ward—First division, all west of Seventh street in the ward; second division, all east of Seventh street in the ward.

Fourth Ward—First division, all west of Fourth street in the ward; second division, all east of Fourth street in the ward.

Fifth Ward—First division, all west of Second street, second division, all in ward between Second and Fourth streets; third division, all territory in the ward between Fourth and Sixth streets; fourth division, all of the ward between Sixth and Eighth streets; fifth division, all of the ward east of Eighth street.

The appointment of enumerators will be made in the next few days and subsequently they will be assigned to the various districts. They are paid according to the number of names secured and will be able to make from $3 to $5 per day. There is a minimum rate of two cents for each living inhabitant, two cents for each death, fifteen cents for each farm and twenty cents for each establishment of productive industry. The maximum rate is three cents for each living inhabitant, three cents for each death, twenty cents for farms and thirty cents for industrial institutions.

Some of the pointed personal questions that will be asked are: "How old are you? Are you married, single, widowed or divorced? Is the home you live in your own; and, if so, is it mortgaged or free? What is your occupation and how many months out of the year are you employed?"

It is a gigantic undertaking and the census of the entire United States and its possessions will be taken within the short space intervening between June 1st and June 15th.

In making the recommendations for the offices it is understood that the politics of the parties recommended was not taken into count and only the adaptability for the work of the persons named was considered.

Entertainment Friday Night.

"Quixotic Quakers," an operetta with song and recitation alternating will be given in the lecture room of the First Baptist church on Friday evening for the benefit of church purposes. There will be a cast of ten characters and an admittance fee of ten cents will be charged. Refreshments will also be served and from this source a neat sum is expected to be derived.

— Mr. W. C. Breeden, a prominent merchant and planter of Bennettsville, S. C., arrived in the city yesterday and is a guest of The Orton.

BEAUTIFUL HOME MARRIAGE.

Miss Fairinda Washington Payne Wedded to Mr. Cameron Farquhar MacRae at Noon Yesterday.

At noon yesterday, at the pretty home of the bride's mother, No. 108 South Fourth street, Miss Fairinda Washington Payne, daughter of Mrs. James Fairfax Payne, and one of the most charming members of Wilmington society, was united in marriage to Mr. Cameron Farquhar MacRae, a brilliant and talented young attorney of the Raleigh bar.

Promptly at the appointed hour for the marriage the doors were thrown open and the bridal party, to the strains of the Wedding March, from Lohengrin, approached from the rear parlor. The ushers entered in advance, forming two lines between which the maid of honor, Miss Elizabeth Payne, sister of the bride, passed. She was immediately followed by the bride leaning upon the arm of her brother, Mr. J. Harvey Payne. The groom, accompanied by his brother, Mr. James C. MacRae, his best man, entered from the hall and meeting the bride, together they approached the minister. Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., rector of St. James, who performed the ceremony, reading the beautiful and impressive marriage service of the Episcopal Church.

The bride was exquisitely gowned in white crepe de chene *en traine*, trimmed with tulle and applique. She carried a bouquet of Bride's roses. The maid of honor was tastefully and handsomely attired in pale lavender and mousselin de soie and carried Marchiel Niel roses.

Mrs. MacRae's many charms of person and manner have endeared her to all who have known her. She has for some time been one of Wilmington's most admired and popular young society women.

Mr. MacRae is very popular in his native city, and holds the important and responsible position of adjuster of claims for the Seaboard Air Line system. He is a son of Judge James C. MacRae, formerly a justice of the Supreme Court; now Dean of the law school of the University of North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. MacRae will in the future make their home in Raleigh. The ushers in attendance upon the wedding were Mr. Samuel J. Hinsdale, of Raleigh, Mr. Jones Fuller, of Durham, Mr. Charles E. Taylor, Jr., Mr. George D. Crow, Mr. J. Van B. Metts and Mr. Ed S. Battle, of Wilmington. Besides the bridal party only the immediate relatives and a few intimate friends of the families of the bride and groom were present.

The ceremony was originally appointed to have been performed in St. James' Episcopal Church but owing to a slight illness of the bride it took place at the residence and was one of the prettiest of the home weddings ever celebrated in Wilmington. The halls and parlors of the residence were profusely decorated with a wealth of evergreen and lilies.

Among those present from a distance to attend the marriage, besides those mentioned above, were Mrs. J. C. MacRae, Mrs. E. J. Lilly, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. MacRae, Dr. and Mrs. Jno. D. MacRae, and Miss Mary MacRae, of Fayetteville.

RATIFICATION MEETINGS.

Wednesday, May 2d, is the Date for Wilmington's Big Democratic Rally. Itinerary of the State.

Large and enthusiastic gatherings of people in ratification meetings are greeting the Democratic candidates on their triumphant tour of the State, which begun on Monday, with a big meeting at Burlington. Tuesday they spoke at Winston-Salem, yesterday at Hickory and to-day they will address the voters of Buncombe county at Asheville. On Wednesday, May 2nd, a meeting will be held in Wilmington, and, as already stated, in the STAR, there are special reasons why this meeting should be made the greatest of them all.

Following is the itinerary, as arranged by Chairman Simmons:

Asheville, Thursday, April 19th.
Murphy, Saturday, April 21st.
Bryson City, Monday, April 23rd.
Waynesville, Tuesday, April 24th.
Marion, Wednesday, April 25th.
Shelby, Thursday, April 26th.
Charlotte, Saturday, April 28th.
Fayetteville, Monday, April 30th.
Rocky Mount, Tuesday, May 1st.
Wilmington, Wednesday, May 2nd.
Newbern, Friday, May 4th.
Elizabeth City, Saturday, May 5th.
Washington, Tuesday, May 8th.

New Delivery Wagons.

The Robert Portner Brewing Company has recently added to its already complete equipment two new delivery wagons, handsomely painted and lettered, and two trucks, all for use in the city delivery department. These are to take the places of the old vehicles. Mr. John N. Bennett is the clever manager of the delivery department in the central portion of the city and Mr. W. H. Coleman in the northern section. Both of them have their "sails unfurled" for a big Summer business and are to be congratulated upon the new equipment.

The Appleton Plantation.

It was learned authoritatively yesterday that Mr. W. H. Biddle has purchased the "Appleton Plantation" on Masonboro Sound which adjoins his mother's place there. The tract embraces 590 acres and the purchase includes farming utensils, stock, buildings and all other appurtenances. Mr. Biddle bought the property of Mr. Louis H. Skinner.

MISS WESCOTT TO MR. FRY.

Pretty Home Wedding Celebrated at Residence of the Bride in Wilmington Early Yesterday Morning.

At 8.30 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Melvin Wescott, No. 211 South Fourth street, a pretty home wedding was celebrated in the marriage of their eldest daughter, Miss Olivia Pearl Wescott, to Mr. Edmund Maury Fry, of New York, but formerly of Mobile, Ala.

The halls and handsome parlors of the Wescott home were becomingly decorated with a profusion of palms, ferns and bamboo, and at the hour for the celebration of the happy event the front parlor was darkened and upon the scene was shed a soft light from numerous and handsomely designed candelabra, making of the scene one beautiful and in keeping with the solemn rites about to be performed.

The maid of honor, Miss Nessie Wescott, a sister of the bride, handsomely gowned in blue satin costume trimmed in pearl and bearing a bouquet of exquisite carnations, was first to enter the parlor and she was followed by the groom-elect, who was attended by his best man, Mr. Charles Fry, a brother, of New York, who entered from the rear parlor. Immediately following these was the bride leaning upon the arm of her father, Mr. R. M. Wescott. She was joined in the parlor by the groom, and together they approached the officiating minister, Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, who in an impressive manner performed the rites of the holy union, which made them man and wife.

The bride was elegantly attired in a tailor-made suit of brown broadcloth and carried a bouquet of pretty bride's roses. Grouped about the parlor were a number of relatives and a few intimate friends of the bride and groom, who after the ceremony showered upon them sincerest congratulations and best wishes for a pleasant and successful journey through life.

The wedding marches were rendered by Mr. Alf. H. Yopp upon the piano with Prof. J. G. Miller, as violin accompanist. The bridal chorus was from Lohengrin and, the attendants entered the parlor to the inspiring strains of Mendelsohn. While the ceremony was in progress Cavaileria Rusticana was softly played.

The bridal presents were numerous, handsome and very costly. They came from friends not only in Wilmington but from a distance.

Mr. and Mrs. Fry left on last evening's train for an extended bridal tour to several cities and points of interest in the North. Many friends gathered at the station to bid them adieu and wish for them a pleasant trip and a safe return.

L'ARIOSO GERMAN CLUB.

Closing Event of the Season Given Last Night in the Masonic Temple—Attended by Much Success.

The last of the series of germans to be given this season by L'Arioso German Club was danced last night in the handsome new ball room of the Masonic Temple. The costumes were especially beautiful and elaborate and the hall was gaily decorated in honor of the closing event, which was the most successful of the season in point of attendance and brilliancy.

The german was beautifully led by Mr. H. H. McIlhenny with Miss Bryan, of Charleston, and at 1 o'clock this morning an elegant supper was served the guests in the dining apartments just below the dance hall in the Temple building.

Following were the couples that participated in the dance:

Miss Lilla Bellamy with R. B. Davis, Miss Bettie DeRosset with Fred Dick, Miss Leonora Cantwell with Marsden Bellamy, Miss Cameron, of Raleigh, with A. P. Adrian, Miss Fannie MacRae, of Chapel Hill, with R. B. Mason, Mrs. W. S. Johnson with W. S. Johnson, Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy with C. E. Taylor, Jr., Miss Kate Harlow with R. G. Rankin, Miss Lola Martin with Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., 3rd., Miss Mary Calder with J. W. Williamson, Miss Anna Peck with William J. Bellamy, Miss Mabel Powers with S. R. Vick, Miss Octavia Boatwright with R. H. Gwaltney, Miss Jane Meares with E. M. Beery, Miss Lizzie Peck with W. C. Lindsay, Miss Lina Wiggins with H. M. Chase, Miss Mary MacRae, of Chapel Hill, with G. D. Crow, Miss Janie Peck with Champ McD. Davis, Miss Kate Broadfoot of Fayetteville with J. V. B. Metts, Miss Sarah Kenan with J. T. Munds, Miss Anita B. DeRosset with R. Bradley, Mrs. W. G. Elliott, Jr., with M. C. Elliott, Mrs. E. W. Van C. Lucas with Major E. W. Van C. Lucas, Mrs. Lucy Latham with John James, Mrs. Wallace Carmichael with Wallace Carmichael, Miss Louise Bunting with John H. Bunting, Miss Bessie Payne, with J. C. MacRae of Fayetteville, Miss Mary Lilly Kenan with Lieut. Landon at Fort Caswell; Miss Sue McQueen with Mr. J. M. Stevenson, Mrs. E. C. Holt with Mr. E. C. Holt, Miss Bryan of Charleston with Lieutenant H. H. McIlhenny; Miss Olive Armstrong with T. H. Wright, Miss Tallulah DeRosset with Mr. Gaston Myers.

Stags—Messrs. Tom Denson, Sam Hinsdale and J. C. MacRae of Raleigh; Mr. Jones Fuller, of Durham; Mr. A. S. Williams, of Fayetteville.

— Mr. J. G. Darden, manager for the State of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, is in the city on a business trip.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Only a Short Session Yesterday and But a Few Cases Were Disposed Of.

ADJOURNED AT 12.40 P. M.

The Important Hearings for the Most Part Have Been Continued Until the Next Term—Suit of Mrs. Hales Against Captain Harper.

The Superior Court convened again yesterday morning at 9.30 o'clock, but as on the previous days of the term, there was a dearth of interesting cases in hearing.

Sheriff MacRae returned the following tallesmen as summoned for the day under the Acts of 1885: Messrs. C. W. Yates, Jr., C. F. Seiter, Wm. B. Browne, Thos. Belcher, A. H. Morris, W. M. Cumming, T. S. Tolar, Sr., O. C. Burriss, Seth A. Robbins, T. M. Guttenberg, J. N. Jacobi, J. A. Miller and P. H. Hayden. Those returned as not found were Thos. Burnett, Jr., Charles Bradley, Bryant Outlaw, J. E. Albright, and the one excused was Mr. D. O'Connor.

The following is the docket as disposed of during the session and at 12.40 o'clock in the afternoon a recess was taken until this morning at 9.30 o'clock:

George P. Cotchett vs Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company—continued for the defendant on account of the absence of H. A. M. Smith on affidavit filed.

Laura Gertrude Hales vs. J. W. Harper—continued on affidavit of Capt. J. W. Harper as to the absence of Wm. Kure; defendant to pay costs of this term. Case set for first Monday of next term.

W. F. Alexander vs J. W. Plumer Jr.—Questions submitted to jury and answered as follows:

"Did the defendant surrender possession of the leased premises to plaintiff or his agent, Smith, at expiration of the lease?" Answer, "No."

"What sum for rent is plaintiff entitled to recover? Answer, $118.50.

The following jury was summoned by Sheriff MacRae for duty to-day: W. W. Lemmond, J. W. Branch, J. T. Burke, H. B. Shepard, David C. Clark, J. C. Stewart, A. J. Shepard, W. L. Parsley, J. T. McCumber, R. P. McClammy, Edward Hansley, O. D. Owen, W. J. King, Jas. G. Walton, M. Brewer, D. B. Holland, W. B. Savage and M. H. Kelley.

The cases for hearing to-day are not of especial interest and a short day's session is contemplated.

Another Bigamy Case.

John Murphy, colored, was last night taken into custody by Constable Sheehan and placed in jail on a charge of bigamy. He was arrested at the home of his alleged second wife, who lives on Eighth street between Church and Castle. In November 1898, it is alleged that he was married to his first wife and that he sent her North, promising to join her later. He did not fulfil his promise and a few days ago she returned and procured a warrant for him upon which he was arrested last night. Murphy is a well known fish dealer at the Front street market and one of his wives is said to be a daughter of Isham Thompson, the colored restaurant keeper.

A "Country Fair."

Quite a novel and unique entertainment will be given this evening at the residence of Mrs. Donnelly, on Fourth street, between Ann and Nun, for the benefit of the piano fund of Fifth Street M. E. Church. It will be a "Country Fair," of course on a limited scale, and it is proposed to make it a very enjoyable affair. The entertainment is given under the auspices of the Literary Society of the church, and members will be dressed in country costumes, and those who attend, if they so desire, may also dress in this manner. A small admission fee will be charged.

Elaborate Tea Party.

Mrs. James Sprunt entertained the members of the society of Colonial Dames at tea from 5 to 7 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her handsome residence on South Front street. The pretty home was tastefully decorated and quite a large number of guests were invited. The event was for the benefit of a fund which is being collected by the Colonial Dames for the restoration of the ruins of St. Philip's church, down the Cape Fear river, and it was a brilliant success from every view point.

Fifty Cents Per Quart.

A telephone message to the STAR from Rocky Point yesterday morning says that the first crate of strawberries from that station, which was shipped Tuesday by Mr. J. E. Taylor to Messrs. J. & G. Lippman, New York, brought fifty cents per quart. The strawberry season will open in full blast next week.

Dwelling Burned.

The dwelling house, No. 808 Bladen street, owned and occupied by Isham Newkirk, colored, was totally destroyed by fire this morning at 2:30 o'clock. An alarm was sent in from box 16. The property was insured with Messrs. Walker Taylor & Metts for $350.

Married Last Night.

At the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. W. Bryan, last night at 8 o'clock, Miss Agatha Bryan was married to Mr. James M. Morgan. The ceremony was performed by Justice G. W. Bornemann, and a reception was given the attendants afterwards.

MARRIED IN ST. JAMES.

Miss Kate DeRosset and Mr. Charles Scott Plighted Their Troth at Hymen's Altar Yesterday Evening.

Historical old St. James' Church was thronged last evening at 6 o'clock with friends, relatives and others, who gathered to witness the marriage of Miss Kate DeRosset, the accomplished daughter of Col. and Mrs. W. L. DeRosset, of this city, to Mr. Charles Alonzo Scott, a popular and prominent cotton mill man of Graham, N. C.

Without ostentation, with no display of beautiful bridesmaids, the simplicity was striking and admirable. The decorations of the chancel denoted a refined taste, the sanctuary was lighted with candles, and the chancel itself brilliant in a flood of electric lights.

Promptly at the hour the organist, Mr. E. H. Munson, ushered the bridal party up the aisle of the church to the strains of the beautiful wedding march.

The ushers, Mr. W. C. Lindsay, Mr. Nash DeRosset, Mr. James Holt, Mr. Ed Williamson, Mr. Robt. Nash and Mr. Gaston Myers, preceded the attendants, followed by Miss Lizzie Peck, the maid of honor, after which came the bride, leaning upon the arm of her father, Col. W. L. DeRosset.

At the steps of the chancel the bride was promptly joined by the groom, who, with his best man, Mr. H. W. Scott, had entered from the chantry. Advancing to the sanctuary rail, Rev. Dr. Robert Strange read the solemn service according to the beautiful rites of the Episcopal Church, which made them man and wife.

The bride was handsomely dressed in gray crepe de chine, trimmed with white applique lace, with diamonds and pearls. Her hat was black tulle, with a small ostrich feather.

The costume of Miss Peck, the maid of honor, was green crepe de chine, with duchesse lace and pearls. Her hat was black taffeta, with ostrich feathers.

The bridal couple went immediately to the depot for the 6.50 P. M. train, where they received the best wishes of a large number of friends and a shower of rice scattered over them. After a few weeks' sojourn in the principal Northern cities, Mr. and Mrs. Scott will return to Graham, N. C., where they will reside in the future.

NEW YORK TRUCK MARKET.

Quotations Unchanged from Tuesday—Berries 35 to 40 Cents.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

NEW YORK, April 18.—The market for lettuce is unchanged at from $6 to $7 per barrel and fancy asparagus at $6 per dozen bunches. Choice grades of asparagus will bring from $4 to $5; radishes $2 dollars per dozen bunches and beets $5 per hundred bunches.

Strawberries are beginning to arrive on the market and are quoted to-day at from 35 to 40 cents per quart. The weather is stormy but the market is generally good.

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Wholesale Commission Merchants,
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Having made a big deal with one of the largest frame factories in the country, we can sell you 16x20 Frames for enlarged pictures for $1.25. Agents charge you $2.00 to $4.00 for same Frame. We will enlarge your picture 16x20, frame it beautiful for $2.98; you save agents' profit and don't lose small picture. Cabinet Photos, best made, $2.50 per dozen. Come and see these bargains. If you cannot come, write us. The Ellis Photo and Enlarging Co., 114 Market street, Wilmington, N. C. U. C. ELLIS, Manager.
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The best for the shippers beyond a doubt, are those made by the Warsaw Crate Factory. The Cups contain just 67 cubic inches, and no more. They always give satisfaction.

Also, Baskets for lettuce, peas, beans, grapes, etc.
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One for $4,500 on Fourth street.
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One for $1,000 on Ninth street.
One for $750 on Market street.
One for $550 on Eighth street.
One for $450 on Sixth street.
A lot for $450 on Church street.
A lot for $1,800 on Third street.
And many others at all prices.

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25 Tons C. S. Meal at low price.
45,000 Lbs. D. S. Sides.
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6,000 Bushels Grain.
500 Bags Meal.
400 " Grits

made of Ohio river corn, and will keep longer than other Grits.

GET OUR PRICES.

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We ask your investigation of our stock of goods usually carried in a large Grocery establishment. While we endeavor to attract and obtain the favor of purchasers by liberal dealing and courteous treatment—we also strive to make buying of us a pleasant as well as profitable transaction to you—and as is well known, our facilities are unsurpassed for the successful handling of business entrusted to us.

We sell Provisions, Corn and Oats, Meat, Hay, &c.

We have a consignment of

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which will be closed out low.

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Wholesale only.
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"Grover's Soft Shoes For Tender Feet," Did You Say?

Why, I certainly, we keep them, and you might find anything else in **Shoes at Lowest Cash Prices** at our store.

Our Premiums are prettier than ever.

Think, and call on us when you are buying.

Respectfully,

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Red Wine, Uncle Isom, Ripe Apple, Square Gauge, Florimell, Long Leaf and Peach and Honey Tobaccos. We can please you in price and quality. Try the Magic Durham Tobacco and War Eagle Chew roots.

Porto Rico and Cuba Molasses, No. 1 Honey Drip Syrup, Flour, Meat, Meal, Lard, Rice, Sugar, Coffee, Corn, Hay, Oats, Cakes, Candies, Drugs, Paper Bags, Twine, Butter, Starch, Soaps, Snuff and all Groceries.

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MULLETS, new catch.
Best Cream Cheese,
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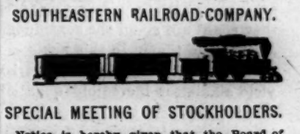

SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Railroad Company have called a Special Meeting of the stockholders of the said company, to be held at the company's office in the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, at 12.30 o'clock P. M. on Friday, the 20th, day of April, A. D., 1900.

JAMES F. POST, Secretary.
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WILMINGTON & WELDON RAILROAD CO

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JAMES F. POST, Secretary.
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SYRUP IN CANS.

100 Dozen Can Syrup.
28 Barrels Syrup.
25 Pic-Nic Cheese.
61 Barrels P. R. Molasses.
75 Barrels Fla. Mullets.
18 Barrels White Fish.
118 Bags Wheat Bran.
28 Cans Ground Pepper.
25 6-lb Can Pepper.
50 Barrels 2-lb. Gran. Sugar.
20 Barrels No. 7 Sugar.
25 Barrels No. 11 Sugar.

W. B. COOPER,
apr 14 tf WHOLESALE GROCER, Wilmington, N. C.

1900	APRIL					1900
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MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter	6	3:54 p. m.	Third Quarter	22	9:38 a. m.
Full Moon	14	8:02 p. m.	New Moon	29	0:23 a. m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 19.

For White Supremacy.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Governor:
CHARLES B. AYCOCK, of Wayne.

Lieutenant-Governor:
WILFRED D. TURNER, of Iredell.

Secretary of State:
J. BRYAN GRIMES, of Pitt.

Treasurer:
BENJAMIN R. LACY, of Wake.

Auditor:
B. F. DIXON, of Cleveland.

Attorney-General:
ROBERT D. GILMER, of Haywood.

Commissioner of Labor and Printing:
H. B. VARNER of Davidson.

Corporation Commissioners:
FRANKLIN M'NEILL, of New Hanover.
SAMUEL L. ROGERS of Macon.

Superintendent Public Instruction:
THOMAS F. TOON, of Robeson

Commissioner of Agriculture:
SAMUEL L. PATTERSON, of Caldwell.

For Judge of the Tenth District:
W. B. COUNCILL, of Watauga.

INTENSIVE FARMING.

Intensive farming is comparatively a new thing in this country, and is as yet but little practiced, so little that not one farmer in a thousand follows it, the other nine hundred and ninety-nine depending for good crops on a free use of fertilizers and on favoring seasons. But intensive farming is not a new thing in all countries for in some it is so old as to be venerable with years, and in others it has been pursued for many years. Wherever it is pursued it was adopted as a matter of necessity, just as it will be in this country in time, when the population becomes dense and land correspondingly valuable.

This system is perhaps more universally followed in China and Japan than in any other countries in the world, for there it became a matter of absolute necessity to feed the immense populations and even with that the masses of the people are but poorly fed, if we compare their living with that of the American people as a mass. In those countries there is not only what we call a "rotation" of crops, but a continuous succession of crops, the harvested crop being immediately followed with some other crop adapted to the season. When one vegetable is taken from the soil the seed of another goes in its place, so there is continuous growth and production, a forced growth and production, too, for the lands where practicable are gorged, if we may so express it, with fertilizers, otherwise they could not stand the continuous strain upon them. In this way some cultivated areas in those countries yield an almost incredible quantity of produce. For this purpose everything, no matter how offensive it may be, which has in it manurial properties, is garnered, and that's why in China the sensitive nostrils of the stranger are so often offended with rank odors when passing through the towns or through the country.

No European country carries the thrift of husbandry so far, but some of them, such as Germany, Holland and France, for instance, have made notable progress in intensive farming, with a very large increase in the productive capacity of the soil. Consul General Mason has written an interesting paper on intensive farming in Germany, giving some of the anticipated and unanticipated results on the food supplies, the following extract from which we find in the Atlanta *Constitution:*

"At the recent centennial anniversary of the Agricultural High school, of Berlin, Professor Max Delbruck stated in a formal address that during the past hundred years the agricultural products of the present territory of Germany had nearly quadrupled. Scientific culture and fertilizing, skilful drainage and rotation of crops, improvement of seed and freedom from the destruction and waste of local wars have operated so favorably that the increased production per acre during even the past ten years has been 19 per cent. for rye, 10 per cent. for wheat, 3 per cent for barley and 35 per cent. for potatoes. How much higher the productiveness of German soil can be pushed by such extensive methods as are within the reach of the average farmer, which will not raise the cost of his crop beyond all reasonable relation to both its value in the world's market and to the ability of the German people to buy it for food, is the vital but unknown element in the calculation.

"But, while good husbandry has done much and may yet do more to increase the products of German agriculture, there has been, as Professor Delbruck sorrowfully admits, a vast and increasing diversion of these products to other than life-sustaining purposes in the form of food. Nearly the whole of the barley crop is malted and used for the manfacture of beer, potatoes and maize in vast quantities are devoted to the production of alcohol, and the best lands of Germany are now devoted to the culture of beet sugar, the greater portion of which is exported. It is true that the rough refuse of the breweries, the distilleries and sugar mills can be utilized to some extent as food for animals, but there is no disputing the fact that these three forms of manufacture neutralize to an important degree the food producing power of German agriculture.

"And so, notwithstanding all improvements in farming processes, notwithstanding duties and all other obstacles thrown in the way of food imports by agrarian influence, Germany imported during the past year 1,370,850 metric tons of wheat, 561,251 tons of rye, 250,157 tons of oats, 26,216 tons of buckwheat, 23,787 tons of beans, 58,872 tons of peas, 1,104,349 tons of barley, 1,626,595 tons of maize, 214,139 tons of potatoes, 143,780 tons of fresh fruits, 11,761 tons of butter, 47,961 tons of pork meats, 21,752 tons of beef and veal, besides fish, dried fruits and other luxuries in large quantities."

While the population of Germany has nearly trebled the productiveness of the soil has increased fourfold, and the question with Germany is, in view of the probable steady increase in population, if the relative increase in the productiveness of the soil can be kept up. The main object in encouraging intensive farming is to produce a sufficiency of food supplies at such a price as the average people who are dependent upon their daily earnings can afford to pay for, and at the same time give the producer of the food stuffs reasonable compensation for his industry and labor. This the increased production would have done for Germany if there had not been an unexpected demand for a considerable portion of the products grown, in consequence of which that country, notwithstanding the good and thorough cultivation of the land, is still a large importer of food stuff, while before the intensive system was adopted it raised all of its food supplies and had an abundance. But it could not do it now without intensive farming, and would be still less able to do it ten, twenty, fifty or a hundred years hence.

The diversion of much of the food supplies given to other purposes, will reduce to that extent the available supplies of food, which will be the case not only in Germany but in other European countries whose populations will continue to increase, so that they will be compelled to look to this hemisphere to supply the shortage, as it is doing now on a less extended scale. This means that to this country they will look, as they do now, for the larger part of their supplies.

In view of this fact, and of the increasing demand for home consumption resulting from the natural increase of population supplemented by a large annual increase by immigration, there is no room for doubt that in the near future there will be a large demand for food supplies which will tax the productive capacity of the soil no matter how fertile it may naturally be, and therefore it will be the part of wisdom to encourage the intensive system of farming and make it as general as possible.

Judge Hazen, an ex-brother-in-law of Mrs. Dewey, rises to remark that she is a bright, capable and ambitious woman, and that if the Admiral were elected to the Presidency the White House would practically be under petticoat government, or words to that effect. We are not hankering for that kind of government, but if it came to that it would be better to have the White House dominated by a bright, capable and ambitious woman than by a coldblooded, mercenary and sordid chunk of humanity like Mark Hanna.

A gigantic American circus has invaded Germany and will make a tour of that country. After standing the racket of an American circus for awhile, maybe that country will take more kindly to the American hog.

Prevented A Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, Ohio, prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of Pneumonia. Such cures are the positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all throat, lung and chest troubles. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottle 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store; every bottle guaranteed. †

Chronic Nasal Catarrh poisons every breath that is drawn into the lungs. There is procurable from any druggist the remedy for the cure of this trouble. A small quantity of Ely's Cream Balm placed into the nostrils spreads over an inflamed and angry surface, relieving immediately the painful inflammation, cleanses, heals and cures. A cold in the head vanishes immediately. Sold by druggists or will be mailed for 50 cents by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street, New York.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

ANTI-IMPERIALISM WITH A STRING TO IT.

Senator Hoar is an anti-imperialist. He is opposed to the McKinley policy of forcible expansion, and opposed to the un-American doctrine of taking in and ruling any other people without their consent, a doctrine to which his party is now fully committed. But while he is all that, he is a Republican first, and subordinates all this to the success and continuance in power of the Republican party.

In the conclusion of his anti-imperialistic speech in the Senate Tuesday he reiterated with emphasis all he had previously said in opposition to imperialism, and laid down the platform on which his party should stand in its treatment of the expansion question, a platform which is substantially in accord with the Democratic position, a platform which he knows his party will not adopt because it is irrevocably committed to the policy of powder and shot and brute force, but yet he declares that he looks to the Republican party to right the wrong he decries and establish in the Philippines the liberty and independence which his party is fighting to destroy. As bad as all this, the oily-tongued, protesting Senator says he will continue to uphold the Republican party and will vote for McKinley, who is responsible for most of the flagrant acts that he denounces, in preference to Bryan, or probably any other man who might be nominated by the Democratic convention, all of which means that this snivelling old man who paints in such lurid phrase the enormities perpetrated against a people struggling for freedom, and warns his party of the inevitable doom that awaits it if it persists in these enormities, is a Republican first and a patriot and an anti-imperialist afterwards.

Senator Hoar and his voluble mouth have as little influence in shaping the expansion policy of his party as the bullets fired by British soldiers in South Africa have on the boulders they hit and are flattened against. In his theory the old gentleman is all right, in the line of action he proposes to follow he is all wrong.

A TRIUMPHAL BEGINNING

Last Monday the campaign for White Supremacy in this State was formally opened at Burlington, Alamance county, historic ground, where the Regulators more than a century and a quarter ago regulated things and struck to right wrongs. It was a triumphal beginning, a happy augury of a triumphal ending of this grand battle for white supremacy and the rescue of the State forever from the possibility of negro domination direct or indirect.

Nearly all the nominees for State offices, from Governor down, were there and were enthusiastically welcomed by thousands of earnest, patriotic white men and women, dwellers in the towns and on the farms, all animated by the same high purpose and inspired by the same cherished hope and filled with the same stern resolve that North Carolina shall and must be governed by her own white sons.

Speeches were made by Charles B. Aycock, candidate for Governor, and by other genelemen on the ticket with him, which met with a hearty response by the large assemblage of people, showing that even thus early in the campaign they are alive to the importance of the great issue on which the battle will be fought.

It is the intention to continue this triumphal tour throughout the State, visiting all such points as practicable. From Burlington the candidates went in a body to Winston, continuing on to towns in the Western part of the State, after which other sections will be visited.

Cumberland and adjoining counties will give them a royal welcome on the 30th inst., and on the 2nd of May they will be with us in this city when the stalwart Democracy of this section and the white men who are in accord with us in this battle for white supremacy must give them a royal welcome, too. And we will.

— "What grip symptoms did you have?" "Had 'em all and seven new ones."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run-down people. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

For Over Fifty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other. †

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NO REMEDY EQUALS PERUNA, SO THE WOMEN ALL SAY

Miss Susan Wymar.

Miss Susan Wymar, teacher in the Richmond school, Chicago, Ill., writes the following letter to Dr. Hartman regarding Pe-ru-na. She says: "Only those who have suffered as I have, can know what a blessing it is to be able to find relief in Pe-ru-na. This has been my experience. A friend in need is a friend indeed, and every bottle of Pe-ru-na I ever bought proved a good friend to me."—Susan Wymar.

Mrs. Margaretha Dauben, 1214 North Superior St., Racine City, Wis., writes: "I feel so well and good and happy now that pen cannot describe it. Pe-ru-na is everything to me. I have taken several bottles of Pe-ru-na for female complaint, I am in the change of life and it does me good." Pe-ru-na has no equal in all of the irregularities and emergencies peculiar to women caused by pelvic catarrh.

Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O., for a free book for women only.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Hickory *Times-Mercury*: On the 5th instant there was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Bass another fine daughter. This makes five children born to them in April, and they are all girls, too. The dates are as follows: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 13th and 25th.

— Roxboro *Courier*: Fertilizer is not brought to Roxboro to keep, and the farmers are realizing this fact. Daily there are many tons being hauled out of town. It seems now that as much of the "scented dust" will be used for the next crop as heretofore, notwithstanding the advance in price.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Baxter Shemwell's case was argued before Judge Stevens, of the Criminal Court, at Winston, Tuesday afternoon. His Honor refused a motion to discharge Shemwell. He dismissed the habeas corpus and remanded the defendant to the authorities of Tennessee. Shemwell's counsel gave notice of appeal from Judge Stevens' decision. The defendant was not present at the hearing and his bond for one thousand dollars was forfeited. Judgment of nisi was given against Shemwell and his bondsman, Major Robert Bingham, of Asheville.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The death of Mr. George W. Bridgers occurred at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. George C. Kornegay, in this city Monday night of heart trouble, from which he had been a sufferer for some time. He was 72 years of age yesterday, and his death, therefore, occurred on his birthday. — A case of wholesale stealing is reported from Mount Olive, as having taken place on Saturday night. The store of Messrs. Blount & Keel was entered after the close of business and twenty suits of clothes, a half dozen white dress shirts and a half dozen watches were carried off. The police are on the lookout for evidence of the thief or thieves.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Early Sunday morning the pretty little village of Hope Mills was shocked by one of the most awful occurrences in the history of this section—the burning to death of Miss Fortner, a young woman just sixteen years of age. Miss Fortner was in the act of kindling the kitchen fire, when her clothing became ignited. She ran into the room where her father, the only occupant of the house at the time, was asleep, but before he could render her any assistance she became panic-stricken, and ran hither and thither, the flames gradually encircling her whole person. In a few moments every stitch of her clothing was burned of, and she was a mass of charred flesh, dying shortly in great agony. —We regret to announce the death at the home of his father, Dr. H. C. Hill, near Maxton on Sunday, of Mr. J. Kirkland Hill, a young man who was born and reared in Fayetteville, and who leaves many friends here to pay a kindly tribute to his memory.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— "It is now being claimed that the American military authorities in Luzon don't want Auguinalo, anyhow, and wouldn't catch him if they could. We suppose that old man Otis regards this as a good story. It might suit the marines.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

— "The trouble with this news from Kentucky about he assassination of Goebel is that nobody knows whether it is honest or whether it is the result of the $100,000 reward. When a man confesses that for $1,600 he assassinated Goebel, what reason is there to believe that for $2,000 he would not have manufacture the story?—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

— "Why treat Hawaii as a territory and Porto Rico as a colony?" asks the Chicago Times-Herald. "There is absolutely no good reason for according a territorial government to Hawaii that does not apply with equal force to Porto Rico," it adds. Nevertheless the Times-Herard will blow and spout for the party which is capable of this double dealing, instead of aiding in the fight for justice and equality which the Democracy is making.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

— It is the boast of the United States Senators that they belong to the most deliberate body of lawmakers in the world, and the way in which measures affecting the welfare of the whole country are held up for weeks, months and even years in the Senate gives warrant to the boast. Yet the Senate has just put through eighty-three private pension bills in forty-five minutes—a record probably never equalled by any other legislators. Two pensions a minute leaves mighty little time for deliberation.—*New York Herald, Dem.*

— Young Physician—"But isn't $7 a week rather exorbitant rent for such a small room?" Landlady—"Oh, dear, no; not for a doctor." Young Physician—"And why not for a doctor, pray?" Landlady—"Because this is a very unhealthy house, and there is never a week passes but what half a dozen of my roomers are ill."

TWINKLINGS.

— The Boss—"So you want a job, do you? What can you do?" Applicant—"Nothing in particular—but, then, work is not so much an object as good wages."

— Deputy—"What's that big key for?" Sheriff—"Oh, that's the key to the clock factory across the street. The proprietor let the business run down and I have no time to wind it up."

— She—"Summer is my favorite season. It's so delightful to sit under the trees and listen to the concert by nature's feathered songsters." He (enthusiastically)—"Isn't it, though? And it doesn't cost a cent, either."—*Ohio State Journal.*

— "The way to succeed in this life is to attend strictly to your own business." "Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "but first you want to organize a trust, so that nothing can happen that isn't some of your business."—*Washington Star.*

— "He says he never took a penny for his vote," said the practical politician. "He says true," answered Senator Sorghum. "I've known times to be hard, but I never saw the day when votes were selling for a cent apiece in his neighborhood."—*Washington Star.*

— "I was dreadfully upset to-day," she said, "So?" he replied, in his superior masculine way. "I suppose you heard some disagreeable gossip concerning yourself?" "No," she answered, with a shake of her head. "I inadvertently got in the way of moving bicycle."

— Changed His Mind: Brown—"I saw you on the street with Smith this morning. I thought he was an old enemy of yours." Green—"So he was, but I discovered that I had misjudged him." Brown—"In what way?" Green—"I thought I could lick him."

— Miss Maison—"Excuse my ignorance, but ought I to call you Mr. Bones or Dr. Bones?" The Doctor (irascibly)—"Oh, call me anything you like. Some of my friends call me an old idiot." Miss Maison—"Ah, but those are only people who know you intimately."—*Tit Bits.*

—"Mamma," called three-year-old Margie from the top of the stairs, "won't you please come up and sit with me till I go to sleep?" "No, darling, mamma's busy now," was the reply. "Run back to bed; the angels will watch over you till you go to sleep." "That's what you said before, mamma," answered the little Miss, "but the angels didn't show up, and I'm just awful lonesome."

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 lb. Jute	5½@	17
Standard	7 @	7½
Burlaps	6@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ₩ lb	13½ @	15
Sides ₩ lb	@	8
Shoulders ₩ lb	@	8
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ₩ lb	7½@	7½
Shoulders ₩ lb	@	7½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@	1 40
New New York, each	1 40@	1 50
New City, each	1 40@	1 50
BEESWAX ₩ lb	@	25
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ₩ M	6 75 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ₩ lb	20 @	25
Northern	25 @	30
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	53 @	55
Virginia Meal	53 @	55
COTTON TIES—₩ bundle	1 25 @	1 35
CANDLES—₩ lb—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—₩ lb—		
Northern Factory	12 @	13
Dairy Cream	12½@	14
State	11½@	13
COFFEE—₩ lb—		
Laguyra	13 @	16
Rio	9½@	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4 ₩ yard	@	5½
Yarns, ₩ bunch of 5 lbs	@	70
EGGS—₩ dozen	10 @	11
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ half-bbl	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ₩ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ₩ half-bbl	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ₩ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ₩ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ₩ pork barrel	@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ₩ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ₩ lb	5 @	10
Extra	4 25 @	4 50
FLOUR—₩ bbl—		
Low grade	@	3 50
Choice	@	3 75
Straight	3 85 @	4 00
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
GLUE—₩ lb	10½@	11½
GRAIN—₩ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	@	58
Car-load, in bgs—White	52 @	53½
Oats, from store	38 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	80 @	90
HIDES—₩ lb—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	12½
Dry salt	@	9
HAY ₩ 100 lbs		
Clover Hay	@	1 00
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	90 @	1 00
Western	90 @	1 00
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ₩ lb	3½@	4½
LARD, ₩ lb—		
Northern	7 @	8½
North Carolina	6 @	10
LIME, ₩ barrel	1 10 @	1 15
LUMBER (city sawed) ₩ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	12 00 @	30 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	32 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	5 00 @	6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @	8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @	10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @	10 50
MOLASSES ₩ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28 @	32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @	25
NAILS, ₩ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95 @	3 00
PORK, ₩ barrel—		
City Mess	13 00 @	13 50
Rump	11 50 @	12 00
Prime	11 00 @	11 50
ROPE, ₩ lb	10 @	12
SALT, ₩ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 126 ₩ Sacks	@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 50 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	2 75
SUGAR, ₩ lb—Standard Gran'd	@	5½
Standard A	@	5½
White Extra C	@	4½
Extra C, Golden	@	4¼
C, Yellow	@	4¼
SOAP, ₩ lb—Northern	3½@	4
STAVES, ₩ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ₩ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @	10 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		
₩ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @	3 50
" Sap	2 00 @	2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ₩ lb	@	6
WHISKEY, ₩ gallon, Northern	1 00 @	1 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	90
WOOL, per lb—Unwashed	15 @	16

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, April 6.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 46c per gallon for machine made casks and 45½ cts per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.10 per barrel for strained and $1.15 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Very quiet at $1.85 per barrel for hard, $3.15 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 39@38½c; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at 95c; crude turpentine quiet at $1.35@2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	10
Rosin	00
Tar	66
Crude turpentine	18

Receipts same day last year.—15 casks spirits turpentine, 231 bbls rosin, 263 bbls tar, 19 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16 cts.	₩ lb
Good ordinary	8 7-16	" "
Low middling	9 1-16	" "
Middling	9½	" "
Good middling	9⅝	" "

Same day last year middling quiet at 6c.

Receipts—2 bales; same day last year, 14 bales.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 53 to 53½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85c; upland, 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co.:

STOCKS.

	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110	113½
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	180	...
A. C. L. of S. C.	128	...
Wilmington & Weldon	185	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	140	...
N. C. R. R.	158	161
Wilmington Compress Co	...	10
Delgado Mills	110	112
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co	110	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co	100	...
National Bank of Wilmington	110	113
Atlantic National Bank	200	...
Murchison National Bank	110	...
Wil. Savings & Trust Co	200	...
Blue Ridge National Bank	110	113
Warren Manufac'ing Co., preferred	...	105
Abbeville Cotton Mills	...	110
Southern Cotton Mills	...	101
Piedmont Manufacturing Co	175	...
Pocket Manufacturing Co	210	...
F. W. Poe Manufacturing Co	130	135
Anderson Cotton Mills	130	...
Pelzer Manufacturing Co	175	...
Union Cotton Mills, preferred	...	106

BONDS.

N. C. 4's	106½	107
N. C. 6's	135	140
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1929	112	115
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 5's 1919	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	100
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 6's	85	...
Wilmington & Weldon 5's	115	...
A. C. L. 4's	100	...
N. H. County 5's, gold	...	105½
City of Wilmington 4's, 1939	102	103½

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Money on call easier at 2¼@3½ per cent, last loan 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¼@5 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487¼@487¾ for demand and at 484 for sixty days. Posted rates 484¼ and 488½. Commercial bills 483@483¼. Silver certificates 60½@61½. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's (when they are issued) 103; U. S. 2's, reg'd, 99½; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¼; do. coupon, 110; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133½; do. coupon, 133½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 114¼; do. coupon, 114¼; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 112½; do. coupon, 113¾; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 86¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 31⅞; Manhattan L 94¼; New York Central 135¾; Reading 18½; do. 1st prefer'd 59¾; St. Paul 121½; do. preferred 123¾; Southern Railway 13⅞; do. pref'd 58½; American Tobacco, 102½; do. pref'd 133; People's Gas 103¾; Sugar 106⅝; do. pref'd 111; T. C. & Iron 85¾; U. S. Leather 11½; do. preferred 70; Western Union 82.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Rosin was quiet; strained common to good $1 70. Spirits turpentine easy at 53@53¼c.

CHARLESTON, April 18.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 45½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, April 18.—Spirits turpentine firm at 47; sales 928 casks; receipts 1,172 casks; exports 491 casks. Rosin—I and above quiet; H and below firm; sales 328 barrels; receipts 2,522 barrels; exports 529 barrels. Quote: E, $1 37½; F, $1 40; G, $1 45.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—After opening steady at unchanged prices to an advance of five points on covering, the cotton market turned weak but was variable, more or less throughout the session and closed slightly above last night. The early improvement followed unsatisfactory weather and crop accounts; those from sections east of Texas were particularly unfavorable. Later, however, the market gave way in the absence of outside support; selling pressure was for a time quite heavy. From the opening there was a decline of four to ten points, liquidation and selling for short accounts being quite active. The public cables were about as expected. In the afternoon the market took a higher level on indications of smaller receipts and renewed interest on the part of Wall street in the way of buying, chiefly directed towards the new crop positions. Selling of August by Wall street parties was detected later, but a spurt of covering near the close carried prices above the opening and the close was quiet and steady at a net advance of one to three points.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9⅞c.

Futures closed quiet and steady: April 9.47, May 9.47, June 9.43, July 9.43, August 9.24, September 8.43, October 8.15, November 7.98, December 7.98, January 7.98, February 8.01, March 8.05.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 9⅞c; middling gulf 10⅛c; sales 563 bales.

Net receipts 374 bales; gross receipts 374 bales; stock 116,508 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 8,755 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,035 bales; exports to France 5,340 bales; stock 498,984 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 31,750 bales; exports to Great Britain 35,936 bales; exports to France 9,534 bales; exports to the Continent 55,033 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,108,551 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,984,796 bales; exports to France 665,341 bales; exports to the Continent 2,827,263 bales.

April 18—Galveston, steady at 9 7-16, net receipts 325 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 63 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 793 bales; Wilmington, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 2 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10⅛c, net receipts 32 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9 7-16, net receipts 1,380 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9⅛, net receipts 5,525 bales; Mobile, nominal at 9 5-16c, net receipts 258 bales; Memphis, steady at 9¾c, net receipts 233 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9⅝c, net receipts 51 bales; Charleston, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 103 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Flour was dull and easier for spring patents and generally slow all around, being 5@10c lower to sell. Rye flour steady. Corn meal firm. Rye quiet. Barley neglected. Barley malt dull. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 80c. Options declined actively to-day under free liquidation of May wheat, coupled with bright home crop reports and bearish foreign news. Late in the day, however, sympathizing with corn and export rumors, the market rallied sharply and closed firm at a partial ¼c net decline. May closed at 73¾c; July 73¼c; September 73¼c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 47¾c. Options were generally strong all day, advancing on light country acceptances, yesterday's big cash trade, small receipts West and good Chicago buying for long account. Closed strong at 1¾@1¾c advance. May closed 44¾c; July 45¾; September 46c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2 28¼c. Options were at first easy, but later rallied with corn, closing firm at ¼c net higher; May closed 27¾; No. 2 white oats, May, closed 29¾c. Lard quiet; Western steam $7 67½; refined steady. Pork quiet. Tallow quiet. Butter steady; Western creamery 15½@18c; State dairy 15@17c. Cheese—New steady; fancy large white 11¼c; fancy large colored 11¼c; fancy small white 10¼@11c; fancy small colored 10⅛@11c. Eggs steady; Southern at mark 11@12½. Potatoes steady; Jerseys $1 25@1 50; New York $1 37½@1 75; Long Island $1 50; New Jersey sweets $2 75@3 25. Petroleum easy. Rice steady. Cabbage steady. Freights to Liverpool quiet; cotton by steam 25d; grain by steam 3¾d. Cotton seed oil—Exporters were still out of the market, but in the absence of local offerings prices remained very firm, with an advancing tendency. Prime crude, in barrels, 35c nominal; prime summer yellow 39c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 39c; prime winter yellow 40@40½c; prime white 40c; prime meal $26 60. Coffee—Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 8¼c; No. 7 jobbing 8⅝c; mild—market quiet; Cordova 9¼@14c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 4c; centrifugal 96 test 4½c; molasses sugar 3 13-16

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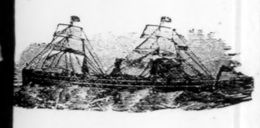

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"You don't see a game of stud very often nowadays," remarked the old time sport, "but it had its day. In the earlier times stud poker and faro were about the only gambling games in the west, and I think stud poker was played more than faro because no extensive layout was needed for stud, as is the case with faro.

"There have been games of stud poker running in Kansas City within the past few years, but I don't know of any now. The law got after them very hard, and then the percentage was too big in favor of the house. The game in its prime was played where there was licensed gambling. Then one man, an employee of the house, dealt all the time, played a hand himself and ran the bank as well. This gave the house a chance to manipulate the cards if it could, it gave the dealer the advantage of always playing from a big stack of chips, and every time a pair showed up a chip went into the hole in the center of the table. Four or five fellows could sit down to a game with $5 apiece, and in a couple of hours all the money originally in sight had gone into that hole as percentage. It was a great graft," the old sport remarked regretfully.

"The game of stud poker," he continued, "was played like any other game of poker, so far as the value of the cards is concerned, and the difference was all in the dealing. The first card was dealt face down on the table, or 'buried.' This was called the card in the 'hole.' Every man put up his 'ante' after looking at his hole card if he thought it was good enough. The next card was dealt face up, and the man with the highest card in sight led the betting, the others staying in or not, as they saw fit. The other three cards were then dealt, all face up, the man with the best hand in sight doing the betting after each card was dropped. At the end the whole thing depended upon what a player might have in the 'hole.' A man with three aces in sight was no better than the man with three kings, for the latter might have a fourth king in the 'hole.' On the other hand, the holder of the three aces in sight might have a fourth in the 'hole' and a 'cinch hand.'

"It was a great game to draw a man on, for if he had a good 'hole' card or something in sight he hated to let go, so if the other fellow was betting pretty strong on a leading hand it became quite expensive before the fifth card was dealt. This was a great game for Chinamen in the mining camps, and it was a queer crowd at the table you'd sometimes see. A cowboy or a miner or two might be playing with a Chinaman, a negro and a half breed Indian. The soldiers used to play it a great deal in the towns near the garrisons.

"It was not a game among friends; it was free for all, and any one who could put up for a stack of chips could get a hand. You'd see two or three playing one minute, and then the table would be crowded with seven or eight players. You see, there was no discard or draw, so the cards would go around five times for ten players.

"There were some big stakes played in these games of stud. When the whole thing depended on the hole card, things used to get pretty exciting at times. I saw a fellow write a bill of sale for 3,000 sheep one night when sheep were worth $5 a head and make a raise with the paper. The bluff went, for it was a bluff, but he had a good hand in sight, and it shook the other fellow's nerve.

"There wasn't much chance to cheat at stud on the part of the players because all the cards laid on the table, and a man couldn't monkey with them very easily. There was a hard up gambler dropped into a big house in Butte one night and bought chips with his last five. He anted away nearly all of his stack and was getting desperate when he saw a chance to slip a card from a hand near by, which had been abandoned, but in the excitement of the hand had not been gathered up. He concealed his card in his hand and on pretense of looking at his hole card looked at both. It was the one he needed. His intention was to slip the first hole card away the first chance he got. Unfortunately for him he was playing against a wild eyed, desperate looking chap, who held then, for the first time that night, the best hand in sight. This fellow was watching the other players like a hawk, and something in the movement of the hands of the gambler with the six cards attracted his attention. He watched the other a moment, and then, suddenly rising in his chair, he drew a big buffalo skinning knife from his belt and without warning he pinned that man's hand to the table. The knife passed through the back of the gambler's hand, through the cards underneath and stood quivering in the wooden table. The victim gave a shriek of agony which brought every one to his feet. In the second's silence which followed the first outcry, the quiet, tense voice of the man who threw the knife was heard saying, 'You'll find six cards in that hand,' and he was right. Little sympathy was wasted on the gambler, and he was hustled out to find a doctor the best he could by himself. He was barred from the tables of the camp from that night and soon drifted out of town.

"The buffalo hunters used to come into the little towns along the Yellowstone river in the spring and drink and play stud until their hard earned money was gone. While it lasted, times were lively around the stud tables. The game was such an apparent good thing for the house that it led to the first legislation in the west against gambling. A law was passed in Montana making it a misdemeanor to play percentage stud. The law defined the game as being one where one man dealt all the time and the table had a hole in it for the percentage. The gamblers got around the law by letting the deal go round and letting the man playing for the house extract the hole percentage. The doom of stud poker came when Montana and nearly every other western state and territory abolished licensed gambling."—Kansas City Star.

Waiting For Things.

There never was a saying tending more to encourage idleness than "All things come to him who waits." They never come. It would be as wise to go out and sit on the prairie and wait for the railroads to build a line to you before you move on. Things don't "come;" you have to go after them, and you must take a fast train.—Atchison Globe.

Colleges of Commerce.

No business man can be too well trained.

No business can have too well trained workers in its service.

The best training for a business man is the ability to think.

It is usually impossible to determine in advance what business a man in college will enter.

It is therefore usually wise not to emphasize strongly the element of mere knowledge in preparing for a business training.

If one have a well trained mind, he is prepared to learn any business with ease, so that he can conduct it with whatever success it is in him to make.

The plan for the establishment of colleges of commerce is in peril of substituting knowledge for power, information for ability to think.—Professor Thwing in Independent.

Change.

The conductor of the outbound Woodward car had already yelled, "Barns; all out!" but as the car bumped over the track he yelled again, "Change here!"

Whereupon the fat man by the door replied:

"I guess you'd better too."

And the conductor did, having forgotten to return the two dimes out of the quarter he had received in payment for fare.

Which goes to show that a double meaning is sometimes a good thing.—Detroit Free Press.

The first camp meeting in the United States was held on the banks of the Red river, Kentucky, in 1799.

TAKING AIM WITH A PISTOL.

Pointing the Forefinger Finds the Range Quickly and Accurately.

When I was a young man over 40 years ago, pistol shooting was one of my most admired sports, and I spent hours and days in practice to become proficient. For a long time I followed the usual practice of 'sighting'—that is, looking over sights placed on the barrel, but one day I, as many would say, accidentally discovered how to take aim without sighting and to shoot accurately in any position, and it came about in this way. I saw a red squirrel a short distance away, down by the side of a fence, and, my mother being with me, I called her attention to it, but as it was nearly concealed in the grass she could not see it, so I said, 'Now look along my finger,' at the same time pointing with the index finger of my right hand, and she, as requested, looked along my finger as you would in sighting a pistol, when she remarked, 'You are pointing directly at it.'

"I immediately caught it as by inspiration that there was something worth remembering, and the next day I put the idea into practice and soon found myself an expert in accuracy. The method I pursued was this: I used a single barrel pistol of fair weight and length, and, grasping the stock firmly in the hand, used the second finger on the trigger, placing the index finger along the side of the barrel and used that for pointing at the mark, it taking the place of sighting. I soon found by practice that I could shoot from any position if I could only get a chance to point my finger at the mark.

"To assist me in holding by finger directly in line with the bore of the barrel until I got familiar with it I fastened a loop or guide for the finger alongside the barrel, but I only required this a short time. The idea is that if you point your index finger at any object you will find the range accurately, and practice will improve your ability to point your gun where you want to place the shot.

"This is one of the great secrets in rapid and accurate pistol shooting, for you can take aim as quickly as you can point your finger, and it does not require raising the arm. Let the arm rest by the side of the body, bend the elbow, point your finger, and you have an accurate aim by practice. This is only one of the many positions, but gives an idea how it is done. I prefer a single shot pistol that pulls fairly easy and is of good, fair weight. If you use a cylinder pistol, then you must protect the finger from the escaping powder fumes between the barrel and cylinder by wearing a thick leather finger guard.

"If any of your readers has never tried this method of shooting, he will be pleasantly surprised at the results accomplished in a short time, but of course systematic practice is required to become proficient."—Washington Star.

WOMEN IN PERSIA.

There Are No Words For Wife and Home In That Language.

Life is sad in Persia, especially the woman's life. The law of Islam allows each man to have four wives. His wives he may divorce at will. Our word "bosh" is the Turkish word by which a Moslem divorces his wife. It doesn't count if he says it only once or twice, but if said the third time the woman must go, and there is no recourse. There are no words for wife and home in Persia. There are no homes and few wives. It is curious to hear a handsome woman say, "I have told my husband if he marries another wife I shall poison him, and I intend to do it." Or to ask a woman about her home life and get the answer: "Love my husband? Oh, yes, I love him. I love him as much as a sieve holds water."

In the cities the Moslem women—and all but about 60,000 or so of the 4,000,000 women of the land are Moslems—never appear in public save dressed in black and heavily veiled, the eyes looking out through a small meshed space of the veil. Custom, fear of men and not modesty impose this dress. The poorer women or the women in the villages wear no veils, or throw the veils back and leave their faces uncovered, unless now and then in a coquettish way they draw a fold of the dress across the mouth.

The fire worshipers or Guebres are but few in Persia now, though it is the land of their origin, but their women can be picked out at once in Teheran or in the few cities where they are found by their dress. Outside of Teheran is the tower of Silence, where, believing neither in cremation nor in burial, the fire worshipers expose their dead. From the hillside it looks out in solemn stillness over the broad, dead plain, even as the dead of this dying people look up in solemn stillness from their ghastly burial place to the unanswering sky.—Robert E. Speer in Leslie's Monthly.

Trivial Cause of a Bloody War.

In the year 1654 a Polish nobleman became obnoxious to the laws of his country by reason of his having committed a crime. He fled to Sweden, whereupon John Casimir, king of Poland, wrote to Charles Gustavus, king of Sweden, demanding the surrender of the criminal. The king of Sweden on reading the dispatch, noticed that his own name and titles were followed by two "et ceteras," while the name of the king of Poland was followed by three. The missing "et cetera" so enraged the king of Sweden that he at once declared war against Poland. The war was carried on with great bitterness until 1660, when a peace was signed at Oliva, near Dantzig. A contemporary writer (Kochowsky) poured out his lamentations on the war in these terms:

"How dear has this 'et cetera' been to us! With how many lives have these two potentates paid for these missing eight letters! With what streams of blood has the failure of a few drops of ink been avenged!"—Collier's Weekly.

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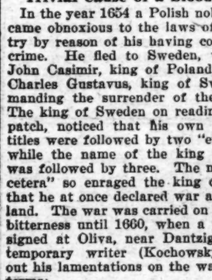

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DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., †Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.43 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 3.30 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 7.58 A. M., Goldsboro 8.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.32 A. M., Magnolia 7.31 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.02 A. M., Jacksonville 10.05 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 P. M No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M. Arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 6.15 A. M. Maxton 9.20 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.43 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 5.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.16 a. m., Weldon 11.35 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 P. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10.00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.30 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 1.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 2.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 6.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 6.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 2.30 P. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 10.26 P. M., arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.55 A. M., Fayetteville 12.00 P. M., 4.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.50 P. M., Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.33 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.36 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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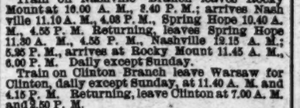

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.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
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P.M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 19.

BUTLER'S SCHEME FAILED.

Allen and Pettigrew Refused to Attend the Pop. Convention in Raleigh—Would Not Mix Up In Race Question.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—The Washington *Post* in its issue of to day contains a dispatch from Raleigh, dated 12 P. M. yesterday, saying that Senators Allen and Pettigrew had just arrived in the city to attend the Populist State Convention. Evidently, the sender does not know the Senators when he sees them, for both of them were at the Capitol to-day and said they had no idea of attending the Convention. For a long time past Senator Butler has insisted that they would attend the Convention. The STAR'S correspondent has it from reliable authority that Senators Allen and Pettigrew informed Senator Butler ten days ago that they could not see their way clear to attend the Convention at Raleigh, as they did not desire to get mixed up with the race question. For some time Senator Butler has endeavored to get several of the Populist representatives to attend, but could not secure a promise from but one. It is a well known fact he put in an entire afternoon recently in the House, endeavoring to get Representative Atwater to attend, but that venerable gentleman could not see it that way.

A prominent Republican is authority for the statement that one of the causes of the Republicans and Populists not agreeing at the recent conference held in this city was caused by the action of the Republican National Committee, who informed Senator Pritchard that they did not desire a fusion and could not understand why the Republicans should fuse with a party that was an ally of the national Democracy and a supporter of William Jennings Bryan. Also, that the fusion was but a scheme to help Senator Butler and could not possibly help any one else.

Postmasters Appointed.

The following North Carolina postmasters were appointed to day:

Alco, Montgomery county, Sarah A. Parson; Limerick, Stokes county, Sarah A. Hawkins; Mudlick, Chatham county, Wm. J. Thompson; Owenville, Sampson county, Street Brewer; Peachland, Anson county, Francis C. Broadway; Stevens, Union county, Jinkens Byrum; Trail Branch, Madison county, Jefferson L. Nelson; Williams' Mills, Chatham county, Robert C. Council.

NEWBERN'S GREAT FAIR.

Attendance the Largest Ever Known—Military Companies—Competitive Drill—A Grand Ball.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

NEWBERN, N. C., April 18.—To-day's attendance at the Newbern Fair was the largest ever known for Wednesday in the history of the Association. Nearly all of the Eastern towns of the State are represented among the visitors and the citizens of the town have thrown their doors wide open for the reception of the strangers.

The military companies of Goldsboro, Elizabeth City and Washington are here upon the invitation of the Newbern company. To-day there was a competitive drill among them for a flag. The Goldsboro company, for general excellency in appearance, conduct and efficience in military tactics, was awarded the prize. The other companies did so well that it was a hard contest to decide. The officers of the Goldsboro company are Captain C. J. Griswold and Lieutenants T. E. Tudor and F. M. Miller.

The best of good order prevails. Notwithstanding there are several thousand strangers in town, only two arrests have been made to-day.

A grand ball will be given the visitors Wednesday evening. President J. A. Bryan's reception to Col. Cunningham and other well known Democrats was a brilliant affair. Thursday will be the biggest day of the week.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

A Conflict Seems to Be Inevitable—Japan Commands the Situation.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

YOKOHAMA, March 31, VIA SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—If the quick and steady dispatch of telegrams from Korea mean aught of a really serious nature, the inference would be that Japan and Russia are on the verge of war. Outwardly, however, there is absolute calm. The present opinion of the community seems to be that as the conflict is inevitable, the sooner it occurs the better it will be for Japan. The latter, with her great fleet, far superior to that of her enemy in those waters, would make short work of Russia's naval force, and command the situation for the time at least, with all the advantages which an added prestige would confer.

Russia demands a concession of territory near Masampo, or as an alternative, the island Kotoku. Either would be a standing menace to Japan, and one of the hardest of diplomatic fights is now on Seoul. It is deemed by many to be significant that the whereabouts and movements of a Japanese fleet of sixty vessels are veiled in the greatest secrecy. That they will be within easy striking distance of the "scene of war" may easily be surmised.

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ALASKAN BILL IN THE SENATE.

Stewart of Nevada Talked for Three Hours About the Mining Laws.

LIVELY TIME IN THE HOUSE.

Naval Appropriation Bill Under Consideration--Sensational Colloquy Between Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Williams of Mississippi.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—During almost the entire session of the Senate to-day the Alaskan Civil Code bill was under consideration. In this connection Mr. Stewart, Nevada, delivered an address of nearly three hours upon the mining laws of the United States and their relation to the proposed amendment of Senator Hansbrough as to the rights of alien locators of claims Senator Nelson, Minnesota, Senator Carter, Montana, and Senator Teller, Colorado, discussed the pending amendment at length; both Senator Nelson and Senator Teller being particularly vigorous in their denunciation of it.

Senator Hale reported from the committee on Naval Affairs a joint resolution drawn originally by Senator Mason, Illinois, authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to have struck bronze medals for distribution among certain officers and men of the North Atlantic squadron, commemorating naval engagements between the forces of Spain and the United States in the waters of the West Indies and off the Cuban coast. The measure, which appropriates $25,000, was adopted.

A resolution was passed asking the Secretary of War to inform the Senate how many inmates of the national soldier's homes and insane asylums are colored men or Indians. Senator Hoar explained that the object was to ascertain whether there was a sufficient number of colored inmates to justify separate institutions.

A resolution was offered by Senator Gallinger calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for the aggregate revenue derived from the tax on notes, bank checks, insurance policies, leases, mortgages, telegrams, express shipments and medicinal preparations.

Senator Platt, Connecticut, suggested that as there was a desire to amend the war revenue act, the information should cover its entire operation. The resolution went over.

An effort was made by Senator Money, Mississippi, and several of his Democratic colleagues, to obtain consideration for the bill to revive and amend an act to provide for the collection of abandoned property and the prevention of frauds in insurrectionary districts within the United States, and acts amendatory thereof.

The effort led to a long discussion as to the effect the present consideration of the measure would have upon the Quay case and the unanimous consent that now obtains with respect to that case. It was developed that strong opposition to the bill existed in the Senate by Senator Hale, of Maine; Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire; Senator Warren, of Wyoming, and others, indicating that the measure must be fully discussed.

Senator Hale declared that the bill, if passed, would subject the United States Treasury to a drain of probably $150,000,000. He would, therefore, strenuously oppose its passage.

Senator Money challenged Senator Hale's statement, saying that the bill would take no such amount from the treasury; that it involved only $5,000,000, and that a trust fund, for which the measure provided, was the means of distribution to its proper owners.

Senator Teller, Colorado, as a friend to the bill, urged Senator Money not at this time to press the measure, as some further information was needed by the Senate before it acted upon the bill. The bill needed amendment, he said, but he thought it would be passed without serious delay when understood by the Senate.

Senator Money then gave notice that he would call up the bill next Wednesday.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the Alaskan Civil Code bill, Senator Stewart addressing the Senate on the pending Hansbrough amendment, in opposition to any change in the mining laws of the United States.

Senator Nelson also defended the rights of the so-called aliens who had located claims in the Cape Nome district.

Senator Tillman, South Carolina, agreed with Senator Nelson in what he had said of the rights of the Swedes, Norwegians, Laplanders and Finns, and speaking of the Hansbrough amendment said that "Senators ought to take it by the nape of the neck and kick it out of the Senate."

Senator Carter, Montana, made an earnest and forceful appeal to the Senate that the American miners—either native born or properly naturalized—should have the first claims. Senator Carter intimated that Senator Teller, Colorado, and others were seeking to change the mining laws.

Senator Teller said nobody had proposed any change of the mining laws except Senator Hansbrough and Senator Carter, who by their proposed legislation were protecting the scallawags and scoundrels and blackmailers who were making a business of jumping claims. "These people," declared Mr. Teller with emphasis, "are blackmailers or thieves, and since mining was begun in this country they have been the curse of every mining camp. They are among the worst scoundrels that ever went unhung."

Without further debate the Alaskan bill was laid aside. The Senate at 5.25 adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The debate on the Naval appropriation bill under the five-minute rule to-day drifted into politics and for a good portion of the afternoon members fought hammer and tongs across the political aisle. The partisan rancor almost culminated in a sensational scene between Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, the champion of the administration, and Mr. Williams, of Mississippi. Some of the Democrats began worrying Mr. Hawley, of Texas, by pointedly asking if the President had not changed his mind on the Porto Rican tariff question, and Mr. Grosvenor finally threw himself into the breach.

Mr. Williams made an interruption that drew a sharp rejoinder from the Ohioan about the "unfair" advantage taken by the Mississippian. This aroused the wrath of the latter, and after Mr. Grosvenor had concluded he made a stinging response in which he said parliamentary language would not permit him properly to characterize Mr. Grosvenor's offence. Later, Mr. Grosvenor disclaimed intentional affront, and there the matter ended.

Some progress was made with the bill, but most of the controverted points went over. A motion to strike from the bill the contingent fund of $500,000 for the Navy Department was defeated. A point of order against the appropriation of $350,000 for the new naval academy at Anapolis was pending when the House adjourned.

Mr. Kitchin, North Carolina, a member of the Naval Committee, made a point of order against the provision in the bill appropriating $500,000, to be expended under the direction of the President to meet unforseen contingencies. The point was overruled by the chair and Mr. Kitchin appealed. The chair was sustained—94 to 70.

Mr. Kitchin then moved to strike the appropriation from the bill.

Mr. Wheeler, Kentucky, supported the motion.

Mr. Foss read from the hearing given by the committee to Secretary Long, detailing the necessity for this emergency appropriation. Mr. Foss thought present circumstances warranted it.

Mr. Williams asked Mr. Grosvenor, who had joined in the debate, if it was not true that the President had changed his mind on the Porto Rican question.

There was considerable fencing, Mr. Wheeler, Kentucky, taking a hand in trying to force the Ohioan. At last Mr. Grosvenor made an allusion to Mr. Williams' method of interrupting him, which the latter resented with an emphasis that portended a personal quarrel on the floor, but Mr. Williams finally allowed Mr. Grosvenor to proceed, reserving his reply until the Ohioan had finished.

"Does the gentleman deny that the President has changed his mind?" asked Mr. Kitchin, Democrat, of North Carolina, addressing Mr. Grosvenor.

"As soon as it became manifest to the President that money had to be raised in some way and that the Ways and Means Committee of this House had brought in a tariff bill providing for fifteen per cent. or twenty-five per cent.," replied Mr. Grosvenor, "the President recognized the right and power of this House to originate that tariff bill. But I call the gentleman's attention to the fact that in the message of the President he gave no sign or indication of when he desired that free trade measures should go into effect. We, by our vote, put it so that within the next sixty days, ninety days, four months, any time after the organization of the civil government, the people of Porto Rico can have free trade. The President has signed it and thereby given his approval to it."

"The gentleman says the President bows to the will of Congress," interposed Mr. Wheeler. "In the debate on the Porto Rican question when the gentleman appealed to his colleagues to support the pending bill he charged it to be true that the President of the United States was then in accord with him.

Mr. Grosvenor—I say so now.

Mr. Wheeler—He changed his opinion.

Mr. Grosvenor—I say he did not change his opinion in any material respect; he simply changed from the original idea of free trade to what was almost the condition of free trade, that we appended to the measure. The country understands it. Congressman after Congressman who stood here in defence of the bill has been sent back here with a unanimity almost unparalleled. The Republican party will not lose any votes in the coming election because of its action on the Porto Rican bill. We are not holding back by the coat-tails of the world and hallowing with laughter. We have got something to show for our opinions. Witness the splendid organization by the government of Hawaiian territory. Look at the liberal, generous, Christian laws that we have bestowed upon the people of Porto Rico. In due time under the wisdom of the Republican party and under the blessings of God we will send liberty and equal rights, as rapidly as they can comprehend them, to the people of Porto Rico and to the people of the Phillippine islands." [Applause on the Republican side.]

When Mr. Grosvenor took his seat Mr. Williams demanded an opportunity to reply and time was accorded him.

"Mr. Chairman," he said speaking with deliberation, "as a man grows old, he learns something. I have learned something to-day. I will never again, while a member of the American Congress, undertake to ask a question of any member on this floor who is not sufficiently well versed in the ordinary courtesies of human intercourse as to be capable of returning at least a polite reply to a polite inquiry. Further than that, it would be almost impossible for me without a breach of parliamentary rule to express myself upon that particular subject.

"I asked the gentleman from Ohio a question which he did not answer or would not answer, or in his usual lawyer like, politician style desired to evade. That question has not been answered yet. The gentleman said on this floor that the President of the United States had not changed his mind upon the Porto Rican question. Remember, I did not charge that he had. What I charged was that he had permitted others to change his mind for him, which in my opinion was not a thing of which any man could at any time be proud. But in charity to the President and in charity to many of the members of this House, I asked the geutleman when he denied that the President had changed his mind, that he permit me to ask a question and he yielded. I asked him whether the President had not in a public message announced that he was in favor of free trade between Porto Rico and the balance of the United States, and also whether various members of this House had not risen one after another to say that the President had told them in private conversation subsequently that he was at the time of the conversation in favor of the bill which passed the House. There was nothing rude in that inquiry; there was nothing personal in it; there was nothing discourteous in it; there was nothing unprecedented in it; there was nothing in it that could have stirred up wrath in the breast of any man except one who felt as if he had to break up the convention in a row in order to keep from arriving at an election." [Democratic applause.]

Mr. Grosvenor disclaimed any intention of affronting Mr. Williams and there the matter ended.

Mr. Kitchen's amendment was lost.

May 3rd was set aside for the consideration of the Free Homes bill. The conference report of the Urgent Deficiency bill was agreed to. At 5:25 P. M. the house adjourned.

TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE.

Gaining Ground in the Charlotte Division. Mt. Airy Men Quit Work.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 18.—Vice President Dolphin, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, says to-night:

The Southern Railway telgraphers' strike is gaining ground in this district. At 5 o'clock this afternoon all the men on the Mount Airy division, sixteen in number, closed their offices and walked out, leaving but one man.

At 12 o'clock to-day all agents and operators on the Northern Alabama railway locked their offices and went on strike. This makes a total of about fifty-eight men who have joined the strikers within the past twenty-four hours.

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THE POPULISTS' STATE CONVENTION

Ex-Congressman Harry Skinner Made a Very Sensational Address.

DENOUNCED SENATOR BUTLER

Cy Thompson Made a Speech—The Platform--Delegates to National Convention Instructed for W. J. Bryan. A Full State Ticket.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., April 18.—Ex-Congressman Harry Skinner furnished the sensation for the Populist State Convention here to-day. When the platform was presented he opposed it and offered a minority report. "I don't believe in playing politics," "We won't have it," (voice in the gallery). "Dishonesty and fraud practiced by Senator Butler is as mean as that practiced by Simmons." (Cheers from the audience and hisses from the stage.) "Do you want Mr. Bryan as President?" ("Yes," "No," "Yes.") "Bryan has in his heart the truest populism. If you wish him, then go about it in the right way and nominate as electors at large Dan Hugh McLean and Lee S. Overman." (Hisses from Dr. Thompson and others on the stage.) "You will do it if you are true in your advocacy of Bryan and don't want to continue playing politics". ("We won't do it!" from Senator Butler and Chairman Thompson.) "You can hiss; I don't care anything about it. What I want to say to Dr. Thompson and to Marion Butler is, that if they are honest in their advocacy of Bryan they will do it." ("We do not!" from a voice on the stage.)

Then Col. Skinner began discussing the question. He turned hot shot into the camp of the State and the national chairmen, and he received enough applause to encourage him to go on. After he concluded his remarks, Cy Thompson came forward. He made a short speech in favor of the platform as it was first submitted, and said: "If Harry Skinner has a grievance against Marion Butler it is unmanly for him to come here to this convention and make the charges. Let him go and settle these differences, man to man, and not come here for it."

Dr. Thompson brought an enthusiastic outburst from the convention, and then moved the adoption of the platform by acclamation. It was adopted. The convention then went into the nomination of candidates.

It is stated to-night, though not on authority, that Col. Skinner will favor the amendment and support the Democratic candidates.

The platform was submitted. It reaffirms the national platform of 1896, condemns the extravagnce of the Democratic Legislature of 1898. Charges that the Legislature was careless and irregular in its legislation; condemns the constitutional amendment, and declares the grandfather clause is unconstitutional, and that its enaction was infamous. Says that the amendment disfranchises the peaceable negro and lets the most obnoxious element vote. Declares that it does not settle the negro question and will not relieve the people of the troublesome negro. The poor white man's son will be in chains and without rights. Though the evils are stated, the platform states that the amendment is not to be a party question, and its constitutionality must be settled by each individual for himself, when he shall vote. The platform declares in favor of an amendment that will eliminate the entire negro vote for three generations. It declares the new election law the most infamous ever offered in any State in the Union.

[By Associated Press.]

RALEIGH, N. C., April 18.—The Populist State Convention to day nominated the following ticket:

For Governor—Cyrus Thompson, of Onslow county.

Lieutenant Governor—A. C. Shuford, of Catawba.

Secretary of State—J. B. Schulken, of Columbus.

Treasurer—W. H. Worth, of Guilford.

Auditor—H. W. Ayer, of Wake.

Attorney General—H. F. Sewell, of Moore.

State Superintendent of Education—N. C. English, of Randolph.

Corporation Commissioners—A. S. Peace of Granville and J. T. Paschal of Chatham.

Commissioner of Agriculture—J. W. Mewborn, of Benoir.

Commissioner of Labor—J. Y. Hamrick, of Cleveland.

Judge Tenth District—L. L. Witherspoon, of Catawba.

Electors at Large—R. B. Davis of New Hanover and Wm. D. Merrill of Person.

The convention instructs its delegates to the national convention to vote for William J. Bryan for President.

No reference is made in the platform to national issues other than to reaffirm the platform adopted by the party at St. Louis in 1896.

The convention was this morning, by invitation, addressed by Congressman Southerland, of Nebraska. He urged the Populists to the hearty and undivided support of Bryan, and predicted his election this Fall. No reference was made in his speech to State politics.

CONNECTICUT ELECTION.

A Complete Victory for Democrats in the City of New Haven.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., April 17.—The annual election of city and town officers was held to-day, and resulted in a complete victory for the Democratic candidates. No mayoralty candidate was voted for. The Democratic majorities range from 2,000 to 2,300, and are the greatest in years. The Democrats have control of both branches of the common council, with a majority of 15 councilmen and 6 aldermen.

The President yesterday sent the following nominations to the Senate: Frank W. Hackett, of New Hampshire, to be assistant Secretary of the Navy; Robert M. Wallace, Collector of Customs at Charleston, S. C.

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BRABANT'S FORCES STILL SURROUNDED.

British Strongly Entrenched—Reports of Casualties—No Advices As to Lord Roberts' Movements.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MASERU, April 17.—Col. Dalgetty's casualties since he has been besieged at Wepener have been 20 killed and 100 wounded. The Boer losses are reported to have been considerably heavier. After the night attack on April 12th the dead were left on the field, where they still lie unburied.

There is a conflict of opinion among the leaders. Some want to attack again, while others refuse to do so. Desultory cannon firing continues.

The Caledon is rising, which alarms the Boers, who are on both sides of the river and might be cut off if the stream was to become flooded. Five Boer guns are believed to be disabled.

Brabant Still Surrounded.

PRETORIA, April 17.—The latest official reports from the Orange Free State are to the effect that General Dewet is still surrounding Brabant's forces, though the British are strongly entrenched in Boer fashion, indicating that they are colonials.

Commandant Fronemann reports that he chased 400 troops across the river in the direction of Aliwal North, capturing several prisoners.

It is said that the Bethulie bridge has been blown up.

Boers Entrenching.

LONDON, April 18.—Practically no developments have been reported so far in to-day's South African cables. A dispatch from Warrenton, dated Tuesday, April 17th says:

"Finding the Boers busy making new trenches we exploded Lyddite shells, following up those with the Maxims. The enemy's ambulance was afterwards observed on the spot."

It is persistently stated in military circles that Lieutenant General Sir Charles Warren, the commander of the Fifth division of the South Africa field force, has been ordered to return home.

It is said that aperemptory order for General Warren's return was cabled to South Africa this morning. The war office declined to give any information on the subject.

Colonel Crofton, who was in command at Spion kop from the time General Woodgate was wounded until Colonel Thorneycroft was appointed to the position, and whose heliograph messages to General Warren caused General Buller to appoint Thorneycroft to the command, was placed on half pay to day.

Private information received from Shrewsbury to-day is to the effect that General Gatacre is leaving South Africa this week to resume command of a local district.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

The Safe Blown Open and $650 in Stamps and Money Taken.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 18.—The postoffice at Chapel Hill, N. C., was burglarized early this morning. The safe was blown open and wrecked and damage done to other property about the room by the explosion.

About one hundred and fifty dollars in cash and five hundred dollars in stamps were taken.

WARM WIRELETS.

King Oscar and the Queen of Sweden and Norway have arrived in London.

The bubonic plague is reported to have made its appearance at several ports on the Red Sea.

The deaths from plague throughout India during the past week slightly decreased in number; but the aggregate is still upwards of 4,000.

The German steamer Hansa, from Norfolk, Va., with a cargo of coal, grounded while entering the harbor at Kingston, Ja., and efforts to float her have thus far been unavailing.

In the opening session of the annual convention of the Georgia State Federation of Labor at Augusta, Ga., a resolution of sympathy and support for the striking telegraphers on the Southern Railway was adopted.

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